THE LONGEST RIVER IN CHINA, SPANNING A TOTAL OF 6,300 KM
FOR COMPARISON, FROM HOKKAIDO TO KYUSHU IS 3,000 KM.
THE YANGTZE RIVER
矢寺圭太
KEITA YATERA
AIYA! THE GIANT! THE JAPANESE GIANT IS HERE!
HOW INCREDIBLE!
HANAO KIRYUIN!
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CHAPTER 17: THE AZURE SKY IS ALREADY DEAD; THE TIGER SISTERS WILL SOON RISE!!

YOU CAN'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN AROUND JAPS.
TH... THAT GIRL WON'T GO CRAZY, RIGHT...?
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WOW!
CHINESE!
I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THEY'RE SAYING!!
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NI HAO!
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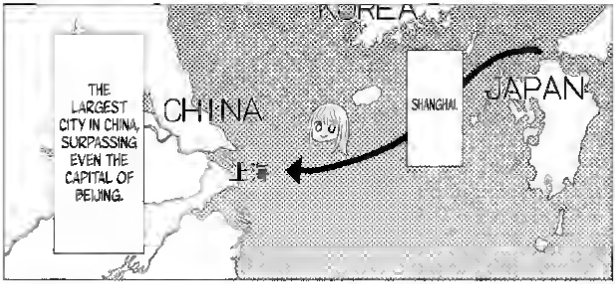
S.. SO CUTE!!
NI.. NI HAO?
HMPH... AT LEAST SHE KNOWS HOW TO SAY HELLO.
HM..?
OH?

Ni hao!
ÀI NǏ, KIRYUIN!
ÀI NǏ!!
MAYBE SHE ISN'T SO BAD AFTER ALL...

HUH, KIRYUIN'S PRETTY POPULAR IN CHINA!!
YEAH, I THOUGHT THEY'D BE MORE AGAINST HER-
LOOKS LIKE SHE'LL BE OKAY

GIANT THINGS...
PEOPLE TEND TO REVERE


THE LARGEST CITY IN CHINA, SURPASSING EVEN THE CAPITAL OF BEIJING.
CHINA
SHANGHAI
JAPAN
上海

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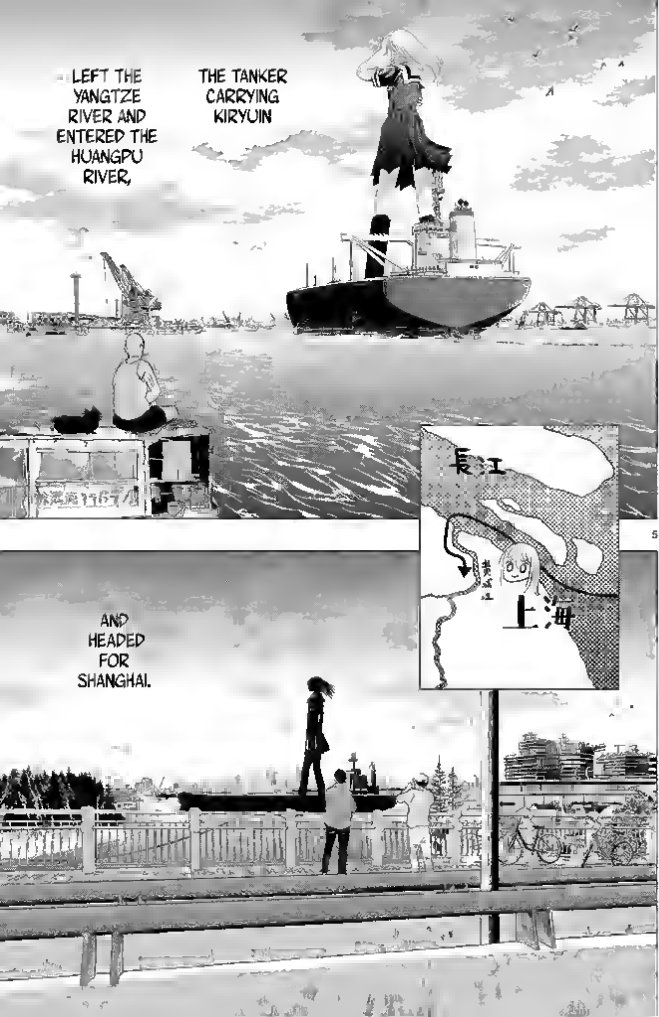
LEFT THE YANGTZE RIVER AND ENTERED THE HUANGPU RIVER,
THE TANKER CARRYING KIRYUIN
長江
上海
AND HEADED FOR SHANGHAI.

WE CAN SEE HER ALL THE WAY FROM HERE!
PUDONG NEW AREA THE NEW CENTER OF SHANGHAI
WOW, THERE'S SO MANY PEOPLE!
WE CAME ALL THE WAY FROM THE FIELDS TO SEE THE GIANT!!

HUP!
MAN, MY FEET ARE NUMB
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PEOPLE OF JAPAN, WELCOME TO SHANGHAI!!
I am a translator!

I CANT SEE HER HEAD..
GOOD FEET, GOOD FEET!
Oh, hang on
AIYA! SUCH BIG FEET!

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S.. SENSEI?

LET KIRYUIN-SENSEI THROUGH!
MOVE, MOVE!

WE RESPECT BIG THINGS HERE IN CHINA.
EVERYONE IS SO EXCITED TO MEET KIRYUIN-SENSEI
SENSEI, SENSEI!!

THESE BUILDINGS ARE HUGE.
YEAH, I CAN TELL...

FESTIVITIES?

THE SUN WILL SET SOON.
WE HAVE PREPARED SEVERAL FESTIVITIES TO WELCOME YOU, KIRYUIN-SENSEI.

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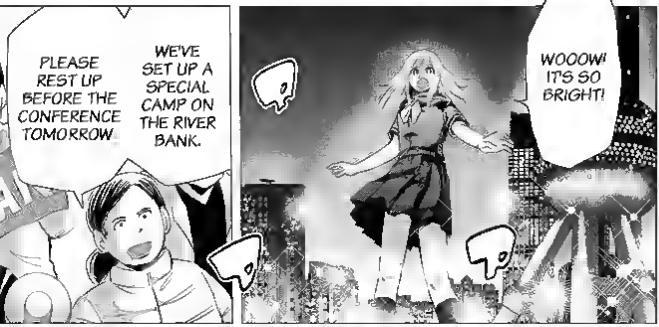
PLEASE REST UP BEFORE THE CONFERENCE TOMORROW
WE'VE SET UP A SPECIAL CAMP ON THE RIVER BANK.
WOOOW! IT'S SO BRIGHT!

TAKEZO?
I WISH TAKEZO COULD SEE THIS!
THIS IS AMAZING!!
OH,
UM, NEVER MIND..

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HEY, TAKEZO
CHECK THIS OUT.
C'MON, LOOK.
SHANGHAI AT NIGHT LOOKS AMAZING
YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE IT ONCE HANAO SHOWS UP.
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TAKEZO'S HELPING ME OVER HERE.
OH, SORRY THANKS AGAIN FOR HAVING US
YOU EVEN LET US EAT WITH YOU.
The food was great
WHAT ARE YOU EVEN DOING HERE!?

HEY, LET'S PLAY MARIO KART!
JAPAN: KANAGAWA, FUJISAWA
SERIOUSLY, WHY ARE YOU HERE!?
OH, MARIO KART'S GREAT...
You never change

IF YOU WANT INFO..
SHOULDN'T YOU HAVE GONE TO CHINA?
YOU'RE FROM THE NEWS, RIGHT?

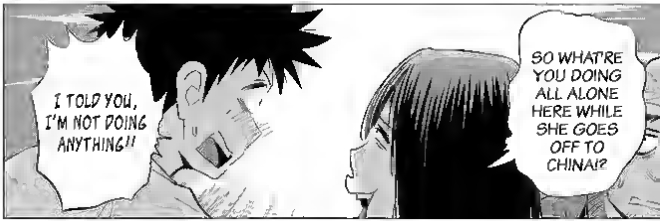
It's

LISTEN TO ME!!
THEY'RE ALWAYS BEHIND THE DESK
LET'S LOOK FOR FORNO MAGS!
OKAY!

SO...
Do anything?

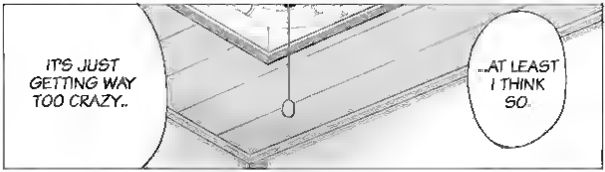
HEY, YOU'RE A YOUNG BOY.
YOU EVER DO ANYTHING ALONE IN YOUR ROOM?

N... NO SHE DIDN'T!!
HUH!?
HANAO DUMPED YOU!!


I TOLD YOU, I'M NOT DOING ANYTHING!!
SO WHAT'RE YOU DOING ALL ALONE HERE WHILE SHE GOES OFF TO CHINA!?

THE TWO OF US DO STUFF WHEN WE'RE ALL ALONE TOO.
Y'KNOW,

ALL THIS GIANT GIRL STUFF.
WE'VE BEEN GETTING TOO INVOLVED WITH IT.
I NEVER AGREED TO THAT.
WE'RE STAYING BACK FROM GETTING INFO FOR A BIT.


IT'S JUST GETTING WAY TOO CRAZY..
..AT LEAST I THINK SO.

IS YOU, TAKEZO..!!
BUT THE MOST INVOLVED WITH ALL THIS
IT'S YOUR GUT AS A REPORTER!
HEH HEH HEH... NOW THAT WE'RE CUT OFF FROM IT, I'M GETTING ALL EXCITED.

WE NEED YOU.
YOU WANNA HELP US?

C'MON, GIVE US A HAND!!

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HEY!
DON'T LISTEN IN ON PEOPLE.

THIS WON'T GO ON TV OR ANYTHING...?
C'MON, NO ONE'S GONNA WATCH A BOY.

THIS IS DÀZHÁXIÈ, CHINESE MITTEN CRAB!

AND HÓNG SHÃORÒU, RED ROAST MEAT!
MADE FROM MANDARIN FISH CAUGHT ALONG THE YANGTZE RIVER!

BUT YOU'RE SO BIG!
OH NO, YOU'RE STILL A MINOR.
WOULD YOU LIKE SOME SHAOXINGJIU TO DRINK?
NOW, EAT UP!

AIYA! GIRLS DON'T LIKE TO EAT WHEN PEOPLE ARE WATCHING, YES?
TH... THANKS, BUT I'M FULL ALREADY.

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SHANGHAI COOKING HAS TONS OF SUGAR AND OIL.
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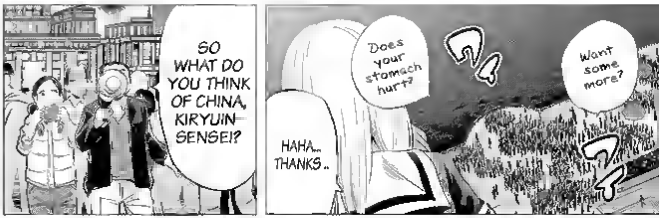

SO WHAT DO YOU THINK OF CHINA, KIRYUIN-SENSEI?
Does your stomach hurt?
Want some more?
HAHA... THANKS..

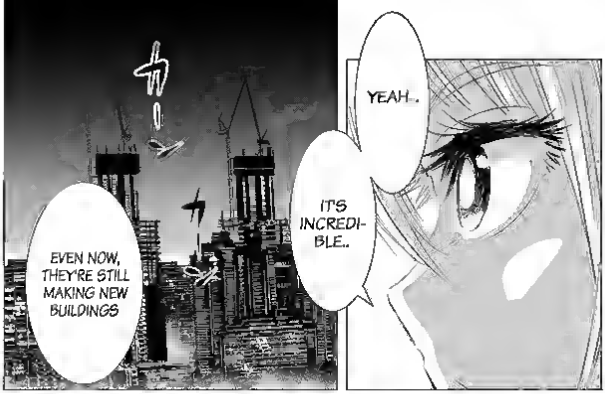
YAAA! CHINA'S THE BEST!

CHINA'S GOT MUCH BIGGER CITIES THAN I WAS EXPECTING
BUT I'M KIND OF SURPRISED.

HAHAHA.
THERE ARE PLACES LIKE THAT.

MORE SCARY, Y'KNOW?
I THOUGHT IT'D BE LIKE WHAT YOU SEE IN MANGA.
Like Kowloon Joe

JUST LIKE THIS RIVER, THERE ARE GOOD PARTS AND BAD
THIS COUNTRY IS STILL GROWING.


EVEN NOW, THEY'RE STILL MAKING NEW BUILDINGS
IT'S INCREDI-BLE..
YEAH.

YEAH, THAT GIANT GIRL..
BUT LOOK OVER THERE
HEY, DON'T STOP WORKING

WONDER WHAT THEY'RE THINKING?
LOOKS LIKE SHE'S GETTING GOOD FOOD.
SHE'S MAKING EVERYTHING SHAKE LIKE CRAZY.
WE CAN'T WORK LIKE THIS
WE'RE THE ONES
DOING ALL THE WORK HERE.

WITHOUT US,
THERE WOULDN'T BE ANY BUILDINGS OR ROADS OR ANYTHING

YOU ARE COMPLAINING ABOUT HOW YOU CAN DO NOTHING, YES?

SO SLOW!!
L... LITTLE TIGER...
WAIT!
DON'T LEAVE ME...
WHAT!?
GIANT GIRLS IN CHINESE DRESSES!?
WAAAAHH!! THEY'RE HERE TOO!!

HUH..?

ARE THERE MORE BUILDINGS THAN THERE WERE BEFORE..?
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LOOK, BIG TIGER.
T... TWINS!?
WAIT... THOSE AREN'T BUILDINGS...
OH!
IT'S NOT JUST JAPAN! THERE ARE GIANT GIRLS IN CHINA TOO!!
THE NEWS ON THE GIANT SIGHTINGS THE GOVERNMENT DELETED!!
THAT GOSSIP I SAW ONLINE A FEW WEEKS AGO!?
THOSE RUMORS WERE TRUE!?

THE LIGHTS OF SHANGHAI... SO BEAUTIFUL.

YOU HAVE FELT THE DIVINE REVELATION TOO, YES?
THERE'S NOTHING STRANGE ABOUT IT.

YOU CAN TALK TO THEM!?
KIRYUIN!!

WAIT, I DON'T KNOW CHINESE...
H... HUH!?
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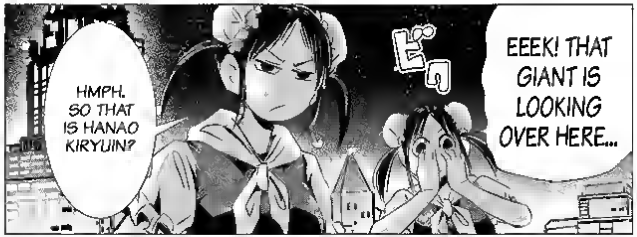
BUT I FEEL LIKE I KNOW WHAT THEY'RE SAYING...


HMPH. SO THAT IS HANAO KIRYUIN?
EEEK! THAT GIANT IS LOOKING OVER HERE...
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DON'T JUST SAY WHATEVER YOU WANT!!

THAT CROWD FAVORITE IS AFTER CHINA!!

BUT I'M NOT LIKE ALL OF YOU!!
THE OTHERS SAID STUFF LIKE THAT TOO..
DIVINE REVELATION..?

WELL THAT IS A BLATANT LIE, YES?
OH?

KIRYUIN
ARE YOU NOT A CHAOS HERE TO CLAIM THIS COUNTRY?

WE AMBER SISTERS ARE THE TRUE HEROES!!
WE WILL PROTECT THE PEACE OF CHINA. !!

WH... WHAT!?

YOU WERE SENT HERE PRETENDING TO COME FOR THE PEACE CONFERENCE.
WE KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU JAPS ARE THINKING!
IS WHAT THOSE TWINS ARE SAYING TRUE!?
JAPAN IS INVADING US AGAIN..!?
H... HEY, WAIT A MINUTE!!
THAT'S NOT WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!!

Eeek! Scary!!
I'M JUST DOING WHAT THEY TELL ME TO...
YOU THOUGHT YOU COULD TAKE OVER THIS COUNTRY, YES?
THEN WHY DID YOU COME TO CHINA?
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WHY WOULD KIRYUIN BE THE ONLY ONE WE GET?
WHA...
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN!?
GO GET KIRYUIN!!
ARE THOSE SISTERS THE REAL HEROES!?
I ALWAYS THOUGHT IT WAS STRANGE!

THE AZURE SKY IS ALREADY DEAD, THE TIGER SISTERS WILL SOON RISE!!
THE AZURE SKY..?
IT'S FROM THE ROMANCE OF THE THREE KINGDOMS!

THE BRIGHTER THE LIGHT, THE DARKER THE SHADOW.
OPEN YOUR EYES AND SEE THE TRUTH OF THIS CITY.

THE PIGS WHO LIVE THERE,
AND THE STARVING TIGERS.
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THIS IS NOT WHAT THE FUTURE OF THIS COUNTRY WAS MEANT TO HOLD!!
AND SO...?
WE MUST BRING FORTH REVOLUTION!!

REVOLU-TION!?
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RE...
HUUUUUUUH!?
LI-LI-LI-LITTLE TIGER, I NEVER HEARD OF THIS!!
OH? IS THAT SO?
TH-TH-TH-TH-TH-TH-THIS IS BAD! CAN WE.. DO THAT... TO CHINA..!?
HUUUUUH!?

YOU KNOW AS WELL AS I THAT POWER IS EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD, BIG TIGER.
U... UUHH...

THE HEAVENS HAVE GRANTED US POWER.
THOSE WITH POWER SHALL RISE,
AND STAND ATOP THIS WORLD
IN THE HISTORY OF THIS COUNTRY!!

I GUESS... THEY'RE RIGHT...
HEAVEN...
IF HEAVEN HAS DECIDED, THEN...
H, HEY...

NO MATTER HOW HARD WE WORK, LIFE DOESN'T GET ANY EASIER.
YEAH!!!
THE RICH JUST KEEP GETTING FAT
THAT'S RIGHT!!
SOMETHING ABOUT THIS IS WRONG!!

REVOLUTION!!
FOLLOW THE GIANT HEROES!!

FOLLOW ME, PEOPLE!!
ALL THE LAND, WEALTH, AND PROPERTY WE WANT SHALL BE OURS!!
ALL IN OUR HANDS!!

AFTER ALL THAT...
I KNEW IT WAS A BLACK COSMES!!
WHAT EVEN ARE YOU!?
I'M NOT LIKE YOU...!!

I'M...
I'M NOT...

HEY!! DON'T STEAL MY WATCH!!
THIS WATCH COULD KEEP MY FAMILY FED FOR A YEAR!!
GET TO THE JAPANESE COMPANIES!!
THEY'VE BEEN KEEPING ALL THE MONEY!!
REFORM THE WORLD!!
THIS WILL REFORM THE WORLD!!

DAMN IT!! I CAN'T SEE A THING!!
WAIT, WAIT, WAIT!! THIS IS TOO SOON!!
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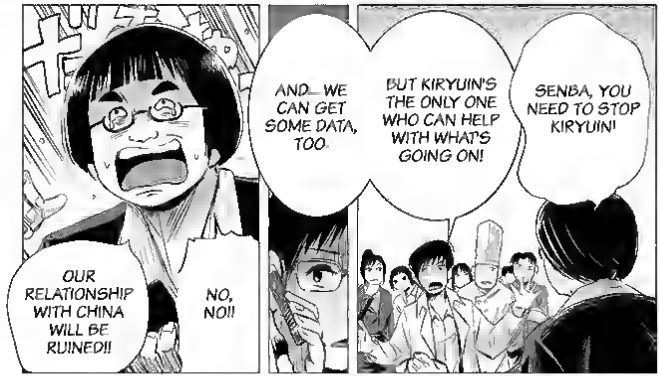
WE HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS FOR NOW!!
WE CAN'T JUST INTERVENE IN ANOTHER COUNTRY'S AFFAIRS!!

FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER KAIZUKA!!

WE CAN'T CROSS THIS RIVER!!
IT'LL BE REALLY BAD IF WE DO ANYTHING OVER THERE!


OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH CHINA WILL BE RUINED!!
NO, NO!!
AND... WE CAN GET SOME DATA, TOO.
BUT KIRYUIN'S THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN HELP WITH WHAT'S GOING ON!
SENBA, YOU NEED TO STOP KIRYUIN!

I MEAN IT!!
WE HAVE TO STICK WITH NONAG-GRESSIVE DEFENSE!!
WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING UNTIL THEY MAKE A MOVE ON THIS SIDE!!

YOU CAN'T CROSS THIS RIVER!!
NO MATTER WHAT,

I'M NOT LIKE THEM.
THE CHAOS HAS TO BE STOPPED.
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT COUNTRY IT IS.
NO...!!

I'M A HERO!!
I'M NOT CHAOS!!